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Jaising

Did you not hear what the
Goddess
said?

Govinda

It was not the Goddess. I
heard
the familiar voice of
Raghupati.

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The voice of Raghupati ? No,
no I
Dive me not from doubt to
doubt.
It is all the same, whether the
voice
comes from the Goddess, or
from my
master.—

*[He unsheathes his
knife, and*

then throws it away.

Listen to the cry of thy
children*

Mother. Let there be only
flowers,
the beautiful flowers for thy
offerings,

—no more blood. They are
red even
as blood,—these bunches of
hibiscus*

They have come out of the
heart*

burst of the earth? pained
at the